

Official to monitor, evaluate, and manage his or her personal, financial, and professional affairs to ensure the absence of conflicts of interest or appearances of conflict.

(e) At the beginning of any official meeting of a covered board, the chair shall remind all members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict pursuant to this Order. The chair also shall inquire as to whether there is any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the board at that time.

(f) Agency heads shall ensure that legal counsel employed by or assigned to their Agencies are familiar with the provisions of this Order (particularly the Rules of Conduct set out in Section 7 below) and are available to advise Public Officials on the ethical considerations involved in carrying out their public duties in the best interest of the public. Legal counsel so engaged may consult with the Board of Ethics, seek the Board's assistance or advice, and refer Public Officials and others to the Board of Ethics as appropriate.

(g) Taking into consideration the individual autonomy, needs, and circumstances of each Agency covered by this Order, Agency heads shall consider the need for the development and implementation of in-house educational programs, procedures, or policies tailored to meet the Agency's particular needs for ethics education, conflict identification, and conflict avoidance. This should include, at a minimum, the periodic presentation to all Agency heads, their chief deputies or assistants, and other Public Officials under their supervision or control of the basic ethics education and awareness presentation outlined in Section 5 above and any other workshop/seminar program the Agency head deems necessary in implementing the provisions of this Order. Agency heads may request reasonable assistance from the Board of Ethics in complying with the requirements of this subsection.

(h) As soon as reasonably practicable after the designation, hiring, or promotion of their chief deputies, assistants, or other Public Officials under their supervision or control, or learning of the appointment or election of other Public Officials to an Agency head's board covered under this Order, all Agency heads shall (1) notify the Board of Ethics of such designation, hiring, promotion, appointment, or election and (2) provide all such Public Officials with copies of this Order (together with any subsequent amendments thereto) and all applicable financial disclosure forms (including, without limitation, Statement of Economic Interest disclosure form(s) pursuant to Section 9 below), if such materials and forms have not been previously provided to such Public Officials by their appointing authorities. In order to avoid duplication of effort, Agency heads shall coordinate this effort with the Board's staff.

Section 7. Rules of Conduct for Public Officials.